**भारत-चीन सीमा मुद्दे के संबंध में वार्ता**

1017. **श्री सोमपाल:** क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सीमा विवाद के मुद्दे पर चीन के साथ चल रही वार्ता में कोई प्रगति हुई है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या निष्कर्ष हैं तथा उक्त वार्ता की वर्तमान स्थिति क्या है?

**विदेश मंत्री (श्री दिनेश सिंह)** : (क) और (ख) सरकार शांतिपूर्ण बातचीत के जरिए भारत-चीन सीमा प्रश्न का उचित, न्यायसंगत एवं परस्पर स्वीकार्य समाधान प्राप्त करने के प्रयास कर रही है। भारत-चीन संयुक्त कार्यकारी दल की सीमा के प्रश्न पर अब तक हुई पांच बैठकों में दोनों पक्ष सीमा के जटिल प्रश्न पर मतभेद कर करने और वास्तविक नियंत्रण रेखा पर शांति बनाए रखने के उपाय करने के लिए तौर-तरीकों का पता लगा रहे हैं। संयुक्त कार्यकारी दल की छठी बैठक इस वर्ष नई दिल्ली में होने की आशा है।

**India's Candidature in UN Security Council**

1018. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reactions of British Prime Minister John Major and the Russian President Boris Yeltsin in regard to India's candidature to a permanent seat in the UN Security Council; and

(b) what is the extent of support India could mobilise for her permanent membership of Security Council?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH: (a) Prime Minister Major has not expressed any views on this subject. President Yeltsin during his recent visit to India stated at a Press Conference that this was a difficult question not because he did not support India's position. He added that the question calls for further scrutiny and there was need to take a close look at the principles underlying the formation of the Security Council.

(b) India has been emphasizing the need to expand the Security Council, with equitable representation, proportionate to the number of members in all multilateral and bilateral fora in an effort to build consensus. At the 47th UNGA in 1992, India and other countries tabled a resolution on "Question of Equitable Representation and increase in the membership of the Security Council" which was adopted by consensus. The Resolution requests the Secretary General to invite member states to submit not later than 30 June, 1993, written comments on a possible review of the membership of the Security Council. The Resolution further requests the Secretary General to submit to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session, for its consideration, a report containing comments made by members States on the Subject.

**Afghan Refugees**

1019. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have closed the Indian Mission at Kabul, and if so, what are the reasons thereof:

(b) the number of Hindu and Sikh refugees from Afghanistan who have taken shelter in India each year during the past three years;

(c) the number of Muslim Afghan nationals who have taken shelter in India together with the number of those who do not have proper entry documents;

(d) whether Hindu and Sikh refugees have been duly registered and the names of the assistance given to them; and

(e) whether it is a fact that the UN Commission of refugees in India has refused to recognise the Hindu and the Sikh refugees, and if so, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) Government have temporarily closed the Mission in Kabul on account of the prevailing security situation there.

(b) to (e) The information is being collected.